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The Honorable Sue L. Robinson Chief Judge United States District Court 844 North King Street Wilmington, Delaware 19801

Re:

Sepracor, Inc. v. Dey, L.P. and Dey, Inc.

C.A. No. 06-CV-113-*** (MPT); (Consolidated)

Dear Chief Judge Robinson:

We, along with Frommer Lawrence & Haug LLP, represent defendants Dey L.P. and Dey, Inc. (collectively "Dey") in the above referenced Hatch-Waxman patent case, which currently is assigned to the vacant judgeship. I write to Your Honor, as Chief Judge of this District, to respectfully request that the case be reassigned to a sitting District Judge, so that the case can be kept on or near its current schedule for trial.

As Your Honor is aware, delays in the resolution of Hatch-Waxman patent cases result in market advantages for branded companies at the expense of the companies that challenge Orange Book listed patents and the public. Plaintiff Sepracor, Inc. ("Sepracor"), mindful of these marketing advantages, has consistently sought to slow this matter down. For example, at the July 19, 2007 Rule 16 Scheduling Conference in this case, Sepracor sought a trial date that was twenty months after the case was filed. After Judge Jordan refused that request and entered "a schedule that I believe accords with what is a fair and reasonable time frame for an ANDA case to proceed" (Tab 1 at 8), Sepracor immediately announced that it was "seriously contemplating a motion to transfer [its own case], or in the alternative, a motion for stay (Tab 1 at 17). Rather than follow through on its threat to file such an unprecedented motion, Sepracor instead resorted to dilatory discovery tactics, for which Judge Jordan admonished its counsel during a discovery status conference on November 1, 2006: "It feels to me like there may be a slow roll going on here, if they've given you document requests more than THREE months ago and the best you've got to show for it after this amount of time is you gave them the FDA regulatory files, you haven't been doing a great job in my view in terms of being responsive and staying on track with discovery. So we're going to be on schedule here." (Tab 2 at 12-13. emphasis in original) In December 2007, Sepracor's original case was consolidated with a second case it filed against Dey concerning an ANDA filed by Dey on a concentrate of the product at issue in the original case, resulting in a two month delay in the schedule. After Judge Jordan was elevated to the Third Circuit, Dey -- in an effort to keep the case on track -- consented to Magistrate Thynge's jurisdiction for all purposes. (Tab 3 at 5) Unfortunately, Sepracor refused to give its consent

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(Tab 4 at 3), explicitly acknowledging that this refusal was likely to vitiate the current schedule: "I guess we could leave [the schedule] as it is for now, but it seems like that unless a judge is appointed, some of these dates will become meaningless." (Tab 4 at 7) At the most recent status conference, on April 18, 2007, Sepracor finally let the other shoe drop, asking Judge Thynge for a date to be heard on its request to extend the current case schedule. (Tab 5 at 9) Judge Thynge agreed to consider that request on Friday May 4, 2007.

To avoid the risk of any further delay, Dey respectfully requests that Your Honor reassign this case to a sitting District Judge at the Court's earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

/s/ John G. Day

John G. Day (I.D. #2403)

JGD: nml

cc: The Honorable Mary Pat Thynge (by hand delivery)
Richard D. Kirk, Esquire (by hand delivery)
Jack M. Stover, Esquire (via electronic mail)
Todd R. Walters, Esquire (via electronic mail)

1	IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
2	IN AND FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE
3	SEPRACOR, INC.,
4	: CIVIL ACTION Plaintiff, :
	:
5	v :
6	DEY, L.P. and DEY, INC.,
7	: NO. 06-113 (KAJ)
8	Defendant.
9	Wilmington, Delaware Wednesday, July 19, 2006 at 9:31 a.m.
10	TELEPHONE CONFERENCE
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12	BEFORE: HONORABLE KENT A. JORDAN, U.S.D.C.J.
13	APPEARANCES:
14	APPEARANCES:
15	THE BAYARD FIRM
16	BY: RICHARD D. KIRK, ESQ.
17	and
	BUCHANAN INGERSOLL & ROONEY, PC
18	BY: SUSAN M. DADIO, ESQ. (Alexandria, Virginia)
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21	BUCHANAN INGERSOLL & ROONEY, PC BY: JACK M. STOVER, ESQ., and
22	JAYSON R. WOLFGANG, ESQ. (Harrisburg, Pennsylvania)
23	Counsel for Plaintiff
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25	Registered Merit Reporter

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this for a schedule that I believe accords with what is a		
fair and reasonable time frame for an ANDA case to proceed,		
and it is not going to be tied to the Massachusetts case		
because I think the claims for economy are somewhat		
illusory. In any event, if you are moving a little quicker		
here, it can only be a help, I would imagine, to putting		
things together and making things more efficient in the		
Massachusetts action. So I don't think you lose economies		
by being on an appropriate schedule according to our usual		
time frames here. That's not meant in any form or fashion		
as a comment on the schedule that was entered in		
Massachusetts, which I'm sure is fair and appropriate under		
the standards and the practices and the particular facts of		
that case.		

Nor, however, am I going to enter an order that is as aggressive as the one that the Dey entities seek here because I don't think that is warranted. So I'm just going to go through and tell you what the dates are going to be. Since you folks were unable to come to agreement on them, I've selected some that I think are appropriate.

Looking at paragraph 1, that five-day limit is fine.

Paragraph 2, the agreed September 7th date is fine.

We'll come back to paragraph 3a in a moment.

THE COURT: All right. Well, good enough.

Listen. We'll go with the straight 140 hours. I am not going to make either side count against their hours what other lawyers do in a different case. And I take Mr. Haug at his word that the record depositions are not going to be a source of gamesmanship here and so I don't think that is going to be a problem. So that will be a straight 140 hour limitation on taking fact testimony by oral deposition.

Is there any other matter that we need to address while we're all on the line together, Ms. Dadio?

MS. DADIO: Yes, Your Honor. We would like to make the Court aware of the fact that Sepracor is seriously contemplating a motion for transfer or, in the alternative, a motion for stay in this particular case. And we would expect at this point the possibility of taking discovery. We would attempt to do so on an expedited basis for that particular issue.

THE COURT: Let me make sure I understand.

You guys filed the suit here and you want it transferred someplace else?

MS. DADIO: In sum, correct, Your Honor. The transfer we would be seeking would be to Massachusetts.

THE COURT: Didn't you file the Massachusetts case first?

MS. DADIO: Correct, Your Honor.

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5	Plaintiff, :
6	: :
7	DEY, L.P. and DEY, INC., :
8	: NO. 06-113 (KAJ) Defendants.
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10	Wilmington, Delaware Wednesday, November 1, 2006 at 4:00 p.m.
11	TELEPHONE CONFERENCE
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13	BEFORE: HONORABLE KENT A. JORDAN, U.S.D.C.J.
14	APPEARANCES:
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scope of our request.

Do you want to hit back at that assertion?

MR. WALTERS: Regardless of whether the ultimate products are conceded to be within the scope of claims or this litigation in any way, we still believe that we would be remiss if we did not look at each and every document before we produced it.

THE COURT: Okay. Well, I'm not telling you that you can't do that. You can certainly do that. But here is what I can tell you. The Federal Rules of Civil Procedure give you 30 days to make a response. Sensible parties, working together, work out additional time when there are lots of documents.

I am telling you I'm smelling smoke where your opponents are saying fire. It feels to me like there may be a slow roll going on here, because even though it's not unwise for you to make a check just to see that nothing got misfiled, and just to make sure, well, this really is everything we thought was in that file, I tend to agree with Ms. Leff that if they've given you document requests more than THREE months ago and the best you've got to show for it after this amount of time is you gave them the FDA regulatory files, you haven't been doing all that great a job in my view in terms of being responsive and staying on track with discovery. So we're going to be on schedule

here.

I'm not telling you that I'm granting them some kind of relief because frankly I don't understand them to be saying as to document production, we want some relief.

I understand them to be saying, judge, we're worried.

And based on what I'm hearing and what I've read, I think they've got reason to be worried. So if we come off the track, at least at this point, you're going to look like the folks who put the rock on the tracks and caused things to come off, and that's not going to be good for anybody.

So my strong urging to you is on this document production, if you don't have somebody going through inventor notebooks already, you better get somebody going through inventor notebooks. If you want to do a rolling production, fine. You better start rolling out some inventor notebooks and some things that aren't FDA regulatory material. That is something that occurs to me, in a big ticket patent case with plenty of lawyers on both sides, could have happened sooner than three months after the requests were served.

So that takes care of the documents. And I presume I'm being clear enough that we're going to have responses that include something besides regulatory documents going over in the very near future. Okay, Mr. Walters?

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5	V :
6	DEY, L.P. and DEY, INC.,
7	: NO. 06-113 (***) Defendants.
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	Wilmington, Delaware
9	Wednesday, February 21, 2007 at 2:01 p.m. TELEPHONE CONFERENCE
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11	PETCODE: HOMODADIE MADY DAM MUSICAL II C. MACICADAME TEROS.
12	BEFORE: HONORABLE MARY PAT THYNGE, U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE
13	APPEARANCES:
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MR. DAVIS: That's correct.

THE COURT: I don't allow the filing of case dispositive motions because it makes no sense to me to have a case dispositive motion, then a trial, and then for you to brief it afterwards. That's my approach generally to bench trials. And we would have to obviously make other adjustments in the schedule. A lot of what I have in my scheduling order is not dissimilar from what Judge Jordan has in his scheduling order.

The other thing is since this is an ANDA case, is there any interest at all in mediating it?

MS. LEFF: Your Honor, this is Elizabeth Leff for Dey. We would consent to your jurisdiction over the case.

THE COURT: Okay. Let me ask you this, though. If this is going to be a bench trial, that may very well affect any mediation obviously. So these are a couple issues that are kind of out on the table. And if you want to talk about them now, we might as well discuss them.

MR. DAVIS: Your Honor, this is William Davis on behalf of Sepracor. We would like the opportunity to take up with our client the notion of consenting to the jurisdiction of the Magistrate to move this along. We can't definitively answer the question today but we could be prepared to do so in very short order.

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7	DEY, L.P. and DEY, INC., :
8	: NO. 06-113 (***) Defendants.
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10	Wilmington, Delaware Wednesday, February 28, 2007 at 3:02 p.m.
11	TELEPHONE CONFERENCE
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13	BEFORE: HONORABLE MARY PAT THYNGE, U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE
14	APPEARANCES:
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1	THE COURT: Good afternoon, this is Judge
2	Thynge.
3	(The attorneys respond, "Good afternoon, Your
4	Honor.")
5	THE COURT: Okay. Let me just try to find
6	out I heard Dick's voice. Dick, who is on the line with
7	you for Sepracor?
8	MR. KIRK: Your Honor, this is Dick Kirk from
9	The Bayard Firm. And with me on the line from Buchanan
10	Ingersoll & Rooney are Susan Dadio, Barbara Walker, Bill
11	Davis and Jayson Wolfgang.
12	THE COURT: Okay. Thank you. And who is on the
13	line on behalf of Dey?
14	MR. DAY: Good afternoon, Your Honor. You have
15	John Day for Dey; and with me on the line are Elizabeth Leff
16	and John Goetz from Frommer Lawrence & Haug.
17	THE COURT: All right. Thank you very much.
18	We have a couple issues to discuss, at least
19	according to the order that was reviewed. First of all,
20	what are the parties' position concerning consenting to my
21	jurisdiction?
22	MR. DAVIS: Your Honor, this is William Davis on
23	behalf of Sepracor. We've conferred with our client and
24	they do not wish to consent to Magistrate Court jurisdiction
25	for dispositive matters in the case.

MR. DAVIS: Your Honor, on behalf of Sepracor, William Davis. I guess we could leave it as it is for now, but it seems like that unless a judge is appointed, some of these dates will become meaningless.

But the dates, for example, in which you submit your claim construction briefs I don't consider necessarily meaningless because that means that your case could be set up. I, quite frankly, am not of the same belief as Judge Jordan is about giving counsel the opportunity to file briefs on case dispositive motions when it's a bench trial. But it also is clear to me that once you get your claim construction briefing done, I'm not certain that you will end up having a hearing on November 20th, 2007.

But I certainly think that to the extent counsel can get the case teed up for the next judge to take it on, it makes some sense to have a schedule in at least up to, and including, those dates, the dates where there is more responsibility on the part of counsel than there is on the court. And I have no problem leaving the dates as is.

Probably what we should do is set up another teleconference in the future and find out the status of the case maybe even before you start filing your case dispositive motions. You are going to have to still do the claim construction material in any event.

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	Wilmington, Delaware
10	Wednesday, April 18, 2007 at 9:03 a.m. TELEPHONE CONFERENCE
11	TELEPHONE CONFERENCE
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13	BEFORE: HONORABLE MARY PAT THYNGE, U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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MR. DAVIS: Yes, we could, Your Honor.

THE COURT: What I plan to do is schedule it for a date and time where I handle both sides issues. I'm not going to schedule two separate dates. I do expect cooperation from both sides to have a meet and confer so that Dey can get their issues discussed with the plaintiff and the 48 and 24 hour time periods exist.

Now, on the 48 hour one, to the extent I'll end up having dueling discovery matters, you are limited to three pages. I do expect the font size to be something that is readable. I'm only saying this to you because recently I've been getting submissions where the font size keeps getting smaller. And I'm looking at Friday, May 4th and I'm looking at 8:00 o'clock in the morning.

MR. DAVIS: That would work for me, Your Honor. William Davis.

MS. LEFF: Your Honor, that's fine with me.

THE COURT: Fine. Okay. So that means that I expect to see the submissions no later than 8:00 o'clock, the 48 hours ones no later than 8:00 o'clock Wednesday, May 2nd and the 24 hour ones no later than 8:00 o'clock in the morning on Thursday, May 3rd.

MR. DAVIS: Your Honor, at some point may we address the scheduling order itself?

THE COURT: Do you want to address it at that